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AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated August 12, 2002, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Applicant has enclosed with this amendment a Petition for Extension of Time to make this response timely.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this document.